

Mr. Stone submitted the following amendment :

AMENDMENT PROPOSED.

Section 2. *And be it enacted*, That the Treasurer of this State shall, upon the warrant of the Comptroller, disburse the said sums of money herein appropriated for the objects and purposes specified to, or upon the order of the person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, severally entitled thereto, and that the several public officers to whom the same, or any part thereof, may be paid, shall render quarterly to the Comptroller accounts of the expenditures thereof with the proper vouchers thereof, verified by affidavits.

Which was adopted.

The bill as amended was then read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the next order of the day, being

The bill entitled an Act to regulate the taxation of Coal Mining Companies of this State, for State purposes.

Said bill being upon a second reading,

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Section 4, line 4, after the word "shall," insert the words, "be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall."

Which was adopted.

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Section 8. *And be it further enacted*, That for the purpose of enabling the Comptroller to test the correctness of the return made by the President, Treasurer, Cashier, or other officer of any railroad or canal company made in the pursuance of this Act, or in the event of the failure of such President, Treasurer, Cashier, or other officer, to make return as directed by this Act, to enable the said Comptroller to ascertain the amount of coal so mined and transported by any company as aforesaid; said Comptroller be and he is hereby, authorized and empowered to examine under oath any officer of any railroad or canal company in this State, or any other person touching the amount of coal so mined and transported as aforesaid, and any such officer or other person refusing to be sworn or to testify his knowledge when called on by said Comptroller, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, upon indictment, and conviction thereof, in any Court having jurisdiction, be fined not less than one hundred